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Sir:

In the Information Disclosure Statement filed on October 24, 2006, Applicants referred the Examiner to the following documents:

- WO 2004/111235, published December 23, 2004; and
- WO 2004/111236, published December 23, 2004.

However, due to a typographical error, the Form PTO-1449 incorrectly denoted the documents as 2004/000235 and 2004/000236, respectively. Nevertheless, the Information Disclosure Statement (cover letter) correctly referred to these documents and Information Disclosure Statement properly included copies of WO 2004/111235 and WO 2004/111236. Accordingly, the Examiner has considered the correct documents.

Similarly, in the Information Disclosure Statement filed October 24, 2006, Applicants also referred the Examiner to the following U.S. patent application:

- U.S. Patent Application No. 10/561,040 (MIYAWAKI et al.), filed June 16, 2004 and entitled "Fluorescent Proteins from Favia Favus Coral."

However, due to a typographical error, the Form PTO-1449 incorrectly denoted the application number as 10/581,040. Nevertheless, the filing date and Inventors listed in the Information Disclosure Statement were correct. Applicants also note that the Information Disclosure Statement (cover letter) correctly referred to this application as the National Stage of PCT/JP2004/008790, which published as WO 2004/111236 on December 23, 2004. Accordingly, the Examiner has considered the correct application.

Applicants are therefore filing this paper to clarify the record.

Applicants also submit herewith a Form PTO-1449 listing the cited documents with the correct publication numbers. Because U.S. Patent App. No. 10/561,040 has now published as US 2007/0072259 A1, the application is being listed in the attached Form PTO-1449 by its publication number. The Examiner is requested to initial the appropriate spaces on the attached Form and to return a copy of the completed Form to Applicants with the next Official Communication.

Should the Examiner have any questions, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the below-listed telephone number.

Respectfully submitted,
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